अन्य अतिरिक्त निरीक्षण व्यवस्था स्थापित की गई है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो यह व्यवस्था कब से प्रारंभ की गई है तथा इस व्यवस्था की विस्तृत रूपरेखा क्या है ; और

(ग) क्या उपरोक्त निरीक्षण व्यवस्था का नियंत्रण वर्तमान बैंकिंग विभाग द्वारा ही किया जायेगा या अलग से किया जायेगा?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम० वी० चन्द्रशेखर मूर्ति) :(क) सरकार ने राष्ट्रीयकृत बैंकों के निरीक्षण के लिये अलग से कोई निरीक्षण व्यवस्था नहीं की है । तथापि, भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (आर बी आई) ने वित्तीय पर्यवेक्षण के लिये बोर्ड स्थापित किया है । इस बोर्ड को अन्य बातों के साथ-साथ, बैंकों (राष्ट्रीयकृत बैंकों सहित), वित्तीय संस्थाओं और गैर-बैंकिंग वित्तीय कम्पनियों से संबंधित पर्यवेक्षण एवं निरीक्षण की शक्तियों का प्रयोग करने के लिये प्राधिकृत किया गया है ।

(ख) तथा (ग) वित्तीय पर्यवेक्षण बोर्ड दिनांक 16 नवम्बर, 1994 से संचालन में आया । इस बोर्ड के कार्य और इसकी शक्तियां निम्नलिखित हैं:–

(1) बोर्ड, वित्तीय प्रणाली के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों जैसे : बैंकिंग कम्पनियों, वित्तीय संस्थाओं और गैर-बैंकिंग संस्थाओं के संबंध में भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक अधिनियम 1934 और बैंककारी विनियमन अधिनियम, 1949 के तहत पर्यवेक्षण और निरीक्षण कार्य करेगा तथा इनसे संबंधित शक्तियों का प्रयोग करेगा ;

(2) यह भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक के केन्द्रीय निदेशक बोर्ड द्वारा समय-समय पर अधिसूचित अन्य कार्य भी करेगा और ऐसी अन्य शक्तियों का प्रयोग भी करेगा ।

Essar employee nabbed by I.T. Officials

6950. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Sunday Times of India dated 11th December, 1994 about an Essar Group employee, carrying Rs. 1 crore in cash, was caught at Madras Airport in December last year by Income Tax officials;

(b) whether it is a fact that the employee, when interrogated, reportedly informed the Income Tax officials that the cash was withdrawn in Bombay and that he was lugging it to Delhi enroute Madras for purchasing revenue stamps for some property deal;

(c) whether it is a fact that Income Tax officials, are reported to have found that the cash withdrawn in Bombay was in the denomination of Rs. 5, Rs. 10, and Rs. 100, whereas the impounded cash with the Essar employee was in the denomination of Rs. 500 notes only;

(d) whether Government are aware that the cash had been impounded by the Income Tax officials pending further investigations; and

(e) if so, whether the investigations have concluded and if so with what results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Two employees of the Essar Group were interrogated. One of them had deposed that the money was brought in cash to buy some revenue stamps at Delhi for purchase of a property.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Yes, Sir, cash of Rs. 1 crore was seized by the Income Tax Department on 6-12-94.

(e) Necessary action as per provisions of Direct Tax Laws has been taken.

Nationalisation of PSUs

6951. SHRI GUNDAPPA KORWAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Govt. have constituted a search committee to head private sector units management in special cases;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is a proposal submitted by financial institutions that some private sector units should be nationalised;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) reaction of Government to nationalisation of profitbale private sector units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Nominee directors of Fnancial Institutions

6952. SHRI GUNDAPPA KORWAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government received representations that nominee directors of financial institutions are at times behaving in a partial manner;

(b) what are the safeguards for Government to ensure that nominee directors are impartial and above board;

(c) whether any fresh consultations have taken place with the management of IFCI, IDBI and ICICI; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) A letter has been received by the Finance Minister from an Ex Member of Parliament to this effect.

(b) to (d) The financial institutions (FIs) themselves review the performance of their nominee directors and also take appropriate action wherever necessary. FIs have evolved guidelines in respect of nominee directors appointed by them on the Boards of assisted companies. These guidelines also take into account instructions issued on the subject by Government from time to time. The nominee directors are expected to act in the best interest of the company and also safeguard the interest of the FI concerned. If a FI is not satisfied with the performance of a nominee director, it can withdraw his nomination from the Board of the company concerned.

Central pension accounting office, New Delhi

6953. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of pensioners are being harassed by Central Pension Accounting Officer, 274 Shaheed Capt. Gaur Marg, Sriniwaspuri, New Delhi in the matter of transferring their pension cases to the Banks;

(b) whether it is a fact that letters purported to had been despatched by the said office some months back have not reached the concerned banks and P & A/Cs offices;

(c) what are the details of the pendding cases for drawal of pensions in the office and since when these are pending; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take to streamline the working of the office so that pensioners get their pension in time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) No Sir.

(b) No Sir. We are not aware of any such case.